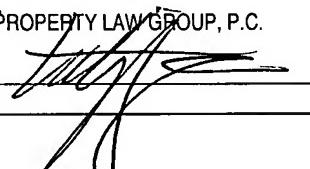




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In re application of: Charles Zuker, *et al.*

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**AMENDMENT/RESPONSE**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 8, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.